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Polymerase with Rifampicin and
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir/Madam:

Prior to substantive examination of the above-referenced patent application, please amend the application as indicated herein.

A response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of May 19, 2004 and a four-month extension of time are submitted concurrently herewith. If any additional fees are due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any deficiencies to Deposit Account Number **06-1448, Reference IPT-012.02.**